

A Better Wisconsin Together: Statement on the conviction of Derek Chauvin

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MADISON, Wis. — No matter what we look like or where we live, we believe that all should have equal justice under the law. But too often, the people entrusted to serve and protect our communities target, detain and even kill Black and Brown people like George Floyd, Adam Toledo, and Daunte Wright, among too many others. This injustice is compounded when, on too many occasions, those responsible for the deaths of Black and Brown members of our communities are not held accountable.

A Better Wisconsin Together Deputy Director Mike Browne commented:

“While the outcome is appropriate, it is not a cause for celebration. That it takes a global movement to take one step towards accountability is a fundamental reminder that the current unjust system does not work for too many in our communities.”

“Ultimately, the Chauvin conviction does nothing to change the fact that George Floyd should still be with us today. Nothing will ever replace the loss that his family and friends are experiencing. Fundamental changes to our justice and policing systems are how we will be able to achieve justice in the future.”